

FISCAL NOTE

HB 172 - SB 716

March 13, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Increases the statute of limitations for the prosecutions for:

- *second degree murder and aggravated vehicular homicide* from 15 years to 30 years.
- *vehicular homicide* from 8 years to 16 years
- *voluntary manslaughter* from 4 years to 8 years
- *reckless homicide* from 4 years to 8 years, and
- *criminal negligent homicide* from 2 years to 4 years.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$108,640/Incarceration*
Exceeds \$100,000

The estimate assumes one additional conviction every three years over a 10 year period for the various types of homicide ranging from Class E to Class A felonies. Also, the estimate reflects the additional costs incurred by the courts, the district attorneys general, and public defender due to the difficulty in prosecuting and defending cases after an extended period of time.

**Section 9-4-210, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated for operating cost, in current dollars, shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years, beginning with the year the additional sentence to be served impacts the correctional facilities population.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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